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SUBJECT: TURKEY: RAISING ONGOING BAHAI PERSECUTION

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(C) On February 10 we delivered REFTEL points to MFA Department Head for Human Rights Yonca Ozceri. Ozceri said they have recently received leaders of the Turkish Baha'i community who had expressed these same concerns. Ozceri said she is following the cases and will pass our points to higher levels within the MFA as well as other relevant departments for consideration.

Jeffrey

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